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Testicular torsion is the twisting of the spermatic cord and its contents such that the testicular blood supply becomes compromised. If left untreated the blood flow to the testicle ceases and the testicle dies. Testicular torsion is therefore a surgical emergency and the earlier the surgery to untwist the testis can be undertaken the better the outcome.

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